

RESCISSION FORM for the DECLARATION OF PATERNITY

Who can use this form?

- Anyone who signed the Declaration of Paternity can use this form to cancel it **within 60 days** of signing the Declaration of Paternity, unless a court order for custody, visitation, or child support has also been entered. This means either the man who signed or the child's mother can cancel the Declaration of Paternity. Only one person's signature is necessary, but the other parent must be formally notified by certified mail, from the parent who is signing the rescission form (see the checklist below).

Why use the rescission form?

- This form **CANCELS** the legal father and child relationship created by the Declaration of Paternity you already signed.
- You must follow all directions carefully to cancel your Declaration of Paternity.

When do I need to complete the Rescission of Paternity Form?

- This form must be completed **within 60 days** of the date you signed the Declaration of Paternity to be valid.

How do I complete the rescission form? Complete the Checklist:

- Use black ink. Print clearly and neatly.
- Fill out the Rescission Form. **Sign the form in front of a Notary Public.** You are declaring, under penalty of perjury, that you sent a copy of the Rescission Form to the other person who signed the Declaration of Paternity.
- Make (2) two copies of the signed Rescission Form. Keep one for your records.
- Mail a copy of the Rescission Form to the other person who signed the Declaration of Paternity, using "Return Receipt Requested" mail from the Post Office. Once the signed return receipt comes back signed from the other person, make a **copy of the signed return receipt** to send with your Rescission Form.

Where do I send the rescission form after it is signed?

- Once you have signed this form, mail the completed form and a copy of the signed return receipt to:
- **California Department of Child Support Services
Paternity Opportunity Program
P. O. Box 419070
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741-9070**
- **within 60 days** of the date the Declaration of Paternity was signed.

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Please refer to the instruction page. Use black ink. Print carefully.

Either person who signed the Declaration of Paternity may use this form to rescind a completed Declaration. It must be **properly completed** and **filed within 60 days** of the date the Declaration of Paternity was signed.

This form **cancels** the legal father and child relationship created by the Declaration of Paternity you have signed.

I, _____, **declare as follows:**

(TYPE OR PRINTED NAME OF PARENT SIGNING RESCISSION)

- I signed the Declaration of Paternity form for _____
(NAME OF CHILD)
on _____, at _____
(DATE SIGNED) (NAME OF COUNTY AND STATE WHERE SIGNED)
- The child's date of birth is _____.
(MONTH/DAY/YEAR)
- The name of the other person who signed the Declaration is:
_____, and their address is
(FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST)

(STREET ADDRESS, APT.#, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)
- My social security number is _____ - _____ - _____. My date of birth is _____.
(MONTH/DAY/YEAR)
☐ By checking this box, I certify I do not have a Social Security Number.
- I declare, **under penalty of perjury**, that a copy of this rescission was mailed, return receipt requested, to the other person who signed the Declaration of Paternity.
- I want to cancel the legal father and child relationship created by the Declaration of Paternity. I understand that signing this form will cancel the Declaration of Paternity, provided that it is filed within 60 days of the date the Declaration of Paternity was signed.**

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____ at _____, California
(MONTH/DAY/YEAR) (CITY WHERE THIS FORM WAS SIGNED)

(YOUR ADDRESS: STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE)

(YOUR SIGNATURE)

THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT. READ AND COMPLETE CAREFULLY. DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS.

State of _____

County of _____

On _____ before me, _____, personality

appeared _____

personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity on behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS by hand and official seal.

Signature _____